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PLANT'S BIG PLAYHOUSE.

December the Third the Grand-st Performance Ever Off-red the People of Florida Will be Given There. One Fare R-tes on Railroads.

From the Tampa Tribune.

We publish below two letters received by Mr. F. M. Jolly, district passenger agent, from Col. B. W. Wienn, traffic manager of the Plant System, and which explain themselves:

New York, Oct. 31, 1896.—Mr. F. M. Jolly, D. P. A., Tampa, Fla., I notice in the papers that they speak of the Casino as being built for the accommodation and pleasure of the guests of the Tampa Bay Hotel, and Mr. Plant's attention has been called to these notices. In a conversation with him today, he desires that I have the papers understand thoroughly in regard to this enterprise.

When the Casino was ordered built, it was his intention to arrange for what is called a concert hall, with no particular set scenery, but simply to accommodate entertainments that might be given for the guests of the hotel, to which of course you understand the Tampa people were always welcome. Later on he decided Tampa needed a first-class theatrical auditorium in which all classes of entertainments could be given, and to which all the best attractions that visited the state of Florida or elsewhere could come, and I assure you that this auditorium on his part meant the outlay of a very large additional amount. To have fitted the stage as was first contemplated, I should say it would have required about \$200, and to fit the stage as it is now being done, it will cost very nearly \$20,000. The scenery that we shall have behind the curtain, at theatrical auditorium, will admit of any class of play being presented that is upon the American stage. The drop or art curtain, as it is called, will cost not less than \$1,000, and the artist tells me that he intends to furnish Mr. Plant the finest art curtain that hangs upon any stage in the United States.

It may be thought that the Theatrical Auditorium is only to be open when the Tampa Bay Hotel is open. Such is a mistake. The Auditorium will be subject to attractions during the entire year, and any attractions that can secure accommodations in Jacksonville and Savannah, or any other city at any time, can secure accommodations at the Auditorium.

In brief the building of the Auditorium is for the people of Tampa, and the guests of the hotel will have no more rights and privileges than the humblest citizen of Tampa.

Yours truly,

B. W. WRENN,
Passenger Traffic Manager.

Mr. F. M. Jolly—I have you letter of the 24th in regard to request from Mr. Baker, and I am glad indeed to know that he is taking such interest in the matter. And in this connection I would advise agents in your division that the opera house will open Decem-

ber 3d with Miss Madden Fiske, who plays two nights in a matinee. Miss Fiske is the greatest actress upon the American stage today. She is supported by one of A. M. Palmer's best companies.

Applications for seats can be received by you. These plays will probably be the most interesting ever seen in the state of Florida, and you cannot say too much as to the beauty and magnificence of the Theatrical Auditorium. Yours truly,

B. W. WRENN,
Passenger Traffic Manager

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take axative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

ADDITION LOCAL.

Col. T. T. Wright, industrial commissioner for the Plant System, is in the city on business.

Your shoes are kept cleaned and shining free of charge if bought from J. A. Rowell.

R. L. Harper, editor of the Gainesville Democrat, visited his family in the city yesterday.

Latest styles DeLeon hats at J. A. Rowell's—best hat ever sold for \$3.

Dr. Law returned from Tampa today where he had been in attendance on the State Synod.

The latest styles in fall and winter millinery at Mrs. C. A. Brown's. Do not purchase until you have seen her latest styles. Her opening will take place soon when some of the handiest pattern hats ever seen in town will be on exhibition.

The north bound Plant System passenger train today pulled four express cars loaded with produce.

At The Racket—Puzzle picture blocks 10c, toy engine 10c, marbles 15 for 1c, jack stones 6 for 1c, baby rattles 5 and 10c, big Japanese dolls 20c, bisque dolls 30c, dolls 4 and 5c, rubber balls 3 and 5 cents.

Chas. A. Wheelon, editor and proprietor of the Free Press of Pierre, South Dakota, made us a pleasant call today.

Fashionable headwear for men, all the leading shapes, prices and qualities sure to please. Davidson & VanEchop.

W. A. Redding and family returned from Brooksville today, where they have been visiting relatives for the past week.

At The Racket—Just received steel enameled ware galvanized wash basins, galvanized dippers, lots of tinware and sheet iron pans cheap.

Almost every merchant in town when asked about their business, says that it is very satisfactory and that trade is on the increase.

Have you examined our line of samples in imported and domestic woolsens? Suits to your measure at moderate cost. Davidson & VanEchop.

Prof. Carl Elschner, the efficient city chemist has made application for naturalization papers and expects to become a permanent citizen of Ocala.

The Champion boarding house is one of the most popular boarding houses in the city, especially so for railroad men. Try it. A good square meal for 25 cents. Pleasant rooms. Cheap weekly board. One block south of the Methodist church.

Dr. F. H. Bernard, the specialist, who is selling 3 Q's, the great blood medicine, is meeting with good success introducing his medicine in Ocala.

The Mentezuma hotel, under its new management, is becoming one of the most popular \$2 houses in the state. Capt. and Mrs. Palmer thoroughly understand the hotel business.

S. J. Bowie of Talladega, Ala., after a few days visit to his father-in-law W. M. Eberidge returned home today. Mrs. Bowie and children will spend the winter in town.

After the opening of The Ocala travel will begin to increase. The traveling public like this house and many come here when it is open who would not do so otherwise.

There will be a call meeting of the Woman's Parsonage and Home Missionary Society tomorrow afternoon at 3:30. All of the members are urged to be present to assist in completing arrangements for the Japanese Tea to be given at the residence of Mrs. Alex. McIntyre Nov. 20.

A nicely matured orange was laid on our desk a few days ago by Dr. Davie, picked from his grove, two miles south west of town. The doctor's grove is doing nicely, and he expects at least fifty boxes of oranges from it next season.—Citrus County Chronicle.

At The Racket—Side combs 5 and 12 cents, hair crimpers 1 and 2c dozen, shirt waist set 10, 15 and 25c, belt pins 4c, sewing needles 1c paper, needle books 5c, hair pins 2 packs 1c, hair pin cabinet 3c, book straps 3c, shawl strap 10c, handsome Japanese waiters 25c, pearl dress buttons 5, 6 and 8c dozen, black and fancy dress buttons 3c dozen, shirt buttons 12 dozen 3c, large white buttons 6 dozen 5c.

Florida has weathered the prevailing financial stringency in a most gratifying manner. Few business failures of any magnitude have been recorded, and although unforeseen calamity has visited one of the state's best sections in the occurrence of a terrible storm, the people rendered homeless and destitute by the disaster have been well looked after by their neighbors, who could spare contributions from their own substance.

A Fort Meade letter to the Bartow Courier-Informant says: "Heary Schmidt, a prominent Cuban gentleman, who is stopping at the Forte Meade hotel, is much pleased with the tobacco industry as seen in Fort Meade, and congratulates the Cuban Tobacco Growers' company here on the great work accomplished in so short a time. Mr. Schmidt on Friday last smoked the first cigar made from the finished product of the company, and pronounced it equal to anything he had ever smoked. He is so pleased with the success of the enterprise, and so certain it will grow to large proportions with the great markets of this country, that he is arranging to come to Fort Meade with a colony in the near future, and engage in tobacco culture in connection with the Cuban company now here."—Tampa Times.

Read the Star.

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